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PROCESS FOR THE TREATMENT OF A THIN BRITTLE METAL STRIP AND

MAGNETIC COMPONENTS PRODUCED FROM A STRIP MADE OF A

NANOCRYSTALLINE ALLOY

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 23, 2005, Applicant elects for prosecution Group I containing claims 1-17, 20-22 and 29-30 drawn to a process for the treatment of thin brittle metal strip and also elects the species contained in Embodiment 1 (Figure 1) on which claims 1-5, 7, 13-17, 20-22 and 29-30 are readable.

Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this application, and any required fee for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees

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under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and/or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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